By the King.

¶ A Proclamation for the ſetling and encreaſe of the manufacture of Pins in this Realme.

WHereas many differences haue long depended, and ſundry complaints haue bene to Vs and Our Counſell made by the Company of Pinmakers of London, againſt the Haberdaſhers and traders in Pins there, for want of taking off that manufacture, heere made, from their hands. For the compoſing of which differences, ſundry orders haue beene heretofore conceiued by Our ſaid Counſell in fauour of the ſaid Pinmakers, which neuertheleſſe haue not yet giuen an end therunto. Wee therefore deſirous to end the ſame differences, and intending the reliefe of the ſaid Pinmakers, by the ſeting and increaſe of the ſaid manufacture in Our owne Realme, Whereby ſo many of Our poore Subiects, their Wiues and children may be imployed and maintained by their labours, which we hold to be iuſt & equall. And finding no fitter way to effect the ſame, then by appointing to the ſaid Company of Pinmakers, the firſt vent and ſale of Pins, as well forraine as home made, but yet at ſuch moderate rates & praiſes, as we haue preſcribed them; Doe hereby declare Our royall Will and commandement to be: That all Pins whatſoeuer, frō the fifth day of Auguſt next following, to be imported into this Our Realme from any the parts beyond the Seas, for the ſpace of three yeeres next comming, ſhall be brought and landed within Our Port of London onely, and in none other Port or place whatſoeuer. And the ſame Pinnes, being there duely cuſtomed, ſhall be at vſuall rates vttered and ſould by the Importers thereof, to the ſaid Company of Pinners of London onely, and to none others: who hauing bought ſuch quantities of good and marchantable ſtuffe, as, together with their owne Pins here made, Will ſerue to ſupplie the neceſſary vſe of Our Realme, are firſt to ſeale, and then to vtter them againe to the Haberdaſhers and traders in that commodity, at ſuch reaſonable rates as we haue preſcribed: Whom wee doe heereby alſo expreſly charge and commaund, from time to time, as neede ſhall require, to buy and take the ſame off, and from the hands of the ſaid Company of Pinners only, and from none other perſon or perſons whatſoeuer: Vnder the paine of the forfeiture of all ſuch Pinnes as ſhalbe Imported, bought or ſould, contrary to the Tenor of this Our Royall Commandement.

Prouided, that all ſuch Merchants, or others that now haue ſhipped any Pins beyond the Seas, for any other Port then the Port of London, ſhall within fourteene dayes after the date of this Our Proclamation, forbeare to import or vnlade them in any other Port or place, then in the ſaid Port of London: nor ſhall vtter or ſell them to any others, but to the ſaid Pinners of London: Vnder the paine of the forfeiture thereof, to be ſeiſed and taken as forfeited to Vs, Our Heires and Succeſſors. Willing, and hereby ſtraightly charging and Commanding all Maiors, Shiriffes, Bayliffes, Juſtices of Peace, Cuſtomers, Comptrollers, Searchers, waiters, Conſtables, Headburroughes, and other Our Officers and Miniſters, to be ayding and aſſiſting to the due execution and accompliſhment of this Our Royall Will and Commandement, as they tender Our pleaſure, and Will anſwere the contrary at their perils. Giuen at Baſing the two and twentith day of Iuly, in the ſixteenth yeere of Our Reigne of Great Britaine, France and Ireland.

God ſaue the King.

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